Please hold this without me. I have a ton of things to review and cram in tomorrow before I go on leave.

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From: Frazer, Brian < Frazer. Brian@epa.gov> **Sent:** Wednesday, February 05, 2020 4:26 PM

To: Hurld, Kathy < Hurld. Kathy@epa.gov>; McDavit, Michael W. < Mcdavit. Michael@epa.gov>

Cc: Kelly, Stephanie <kelly.stephanie@epa.gov> **Subject:** RE: urgent update re: FL assumption

Thanks Kathy. Can you schedule a quick discussion for tomorrow morning.

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From: Hurld, Kathy < Hurld.Kathy@epa.gov Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2020 4:05 PM

To: Frazer, Brian < Frazer. Brian@epa.gov>; McDavit, Michael W. < Mcdavit. Michael@epa.gov>

Cc: Kelly, Stephanie < kelly.stephanie@epa.gov > **Subject:** urgent update re: FL assumption

Brian,

Mike suggested I send a quick note to you regarding updates and next steps with FL. There are two areas of activity Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) these are being elevated within R4 and OGC. - Kathy

FDEP rule – Week of February 10

• FDEP says looks like it will go out for proposal next week Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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• FDEP can send out without EPA input; however, EPA may need to make substantive [public] comments on the rule proposal.

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Status: FE	DP is moving forward quickly, engaging with USFWS on the consultation and to finalize the
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Background:

- FDEP has provided their species list to the services. The 1/27 call with >50 invitees between FDEP and USFWS was "the" meeting of the workgroup to discuss direction for the BA/BE, (EPA represented by Lee Forsgren). NMFS was not on the line, unclear if they were invited. It appears there will be no follow-up meetings. Note: Ryan Fisher was invited, unclear if Corps participated.
- FDEP will have a call with FWS on Tuesday 2/11 to hopefully bring NMFS onboard.
- FDEP will receive draft BA/BE from the contractor by 2/20. USFWS and EPA will not see prior to seeing this final product.

Concerns shared by OGC, R4 and OWCD staff:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Stephanie or I can answer any additional questions you may have.

Kathy Hurld

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